

ALLEGED ATTEMPT AT BRIBERY

Juror Says He Was Offered \$100 in the Famous Knoll Reward Case to See That There Was a Disagreement—Hearing This Afternoon For J. G. Tyler.

An attempt at bribery of a juror is alleged to have taken place in the famous Knoll Reward case, which appears on the docket under the name of *Howe vs. Raymond et al.*, and which was tried in the superior court in October with a verdict for the plaintiff. The case has been in the court many years, being the oldest on the docket and has been to the supreme court, there having been a disagreement of the jury on one of the trials. An appeal from the last verdict has been taken and the case is due to be heard by the supreme court again.

The last trial was at New London, and the case is of unusual interest as the defendants are all of this city excepting G. C. Raymond, who formerly lived here, but now lives in Springfield. It was here that the station Knoll Reward was purchased by the local investors and the notes in the case were issued, these later being secured by Thomas Howe of New London.

Concerning the alleged attempt at bribery the New London Day says: "Joseph G. Tyler, former East Lyme juror, was arrested at Enfield, Vt., on Thursday, charged with attempted jury bribing. He was brought here, awaiting extradition, and arraigned before Justice Marion R. Davis in East Lyme Friday morning at 10 o'clock. The case was continued until Saturday at 1 p. m.

Tyler, the complaint alleges, attempted to influence Frederick C. Odgers of East Lyme, who was a juror in the case of *Howe vs. Raymond* and others, and who had been drawn and sworn. The complaint asserts that some money or other valuable thing was offered to Odgers to get him to prevent an agreement of the jury.

"In an affidavit Juror Odgers declares that Tyler offered him the sum of \$100. The offer was made during the adjournment of the superior court from October 6 until October 7. On the morning of the latter date Juror Odgers reported to Judge Joel H. Reed that an attempt had been made to persuade him to cause a disagreement. Judge Reed investigated and communicated with State Attorney Hull, who, acting in the capacity of a civil counsel, appeared for Howe in the case. Deputy Sheriff Tubbs went to Enfield on Wednesday night, having located Tyler there. When apprehended Tyler offered to come back. He was formerly employed as a carpenter in East Lyme and knew the sheriff well. The bonds in the case were fixed at \$1,000, but they were not furnished and Tyler was taken to the jail in New London to spend the night.

The New London paper stated that Tyler had confessed to acting as agent for a certain one of the defendants, but this is denied by Deputy Sheriff Tubbs, who stated that he did not say that he was agent for a defendant living in Jewett City.

On Friday evening, Mayor Thayer, one of the counsel for the defendants in the case of *Howe vs. Raymond et al.*, stated that he had heard nothing concerning the alleged affair nor of the arrest of Mr. Tyler in connection with the matter.

The complaint charging Tyler with bribery alleges that he approached Mr. Odgers and other jurors on the panel. Tyler left East Lyme November 8, his effects being taken charge of by B. E. Fuller, who disposed of part of them and sent the remainder to Enfield, Vt., where Tyler was located.

WANT TO AMEND ANSWER.

Robbins and Pattison Want to Plead Other Employment of Attorneys.

A motion for an order permitting the defendants to file an amendment to the answer in the suit of Lucius F. F. and John T. Robinson against Zebulon H. Robbins and Frank E. Pattison of Norwich was presented to Judge Joel H. Reed in the superior court at Hartford Friday by L. B. Robbins and was vigorously opposed by William F. Hennessey for the plaintiffs. In this suit Robbins & Robinson seek to recover \$1,711.84 attorney's fees for services in the suits of Robbins & Robinson against the Central Vermont Railroad company growing out of the destruction by fire of some icehouses at Stafford Springs. The second defense of the answer was originally an allegation that Robbins & Robinson were employed by the Connecticut Fire Insurance company of Hartford and the Caledonian Fire Insurance company of Liverpool as counsel in these suits.

A motion to expunge this second defense was denied by Judge Gardner Greene of the superior court a few weeks ago as not being the proper remedy to get rid of a bad defense. Judge Hennessey then filed a demurrer to the second defense, and that was sustained. After an argument Friday both counsel agreed to submit the matter to Judge Reed with the papers in the case.

UNABLE TO ACCEPT INVITATION.

County Home Children Obligated to Forego the Pleasure of Seeing Hello Bill.

A number of the children in the county home having colds and the weather being cold and blustering, Miss Gibson, matron at the county home, decided that it was inadvisable to permit the children to leave the home to attend the performance of Hello Bill at Polly Friday afternoon. They were to be the guests of Manager Swainson and regretted the circumstances which prevented their attendance.

Schooner Randall Holds Together.

Despite the terrific battering from the heavy seas kicked up by the north-westerly gale, the four masted schooner, Mary Adelaide Randall, which struck on the ledge off the west side of Block Island Thursday, still held together on Friday, and it is believed that the vessel might be saved from destruction. A small fleet of wrecking craft was waiting in Staunton harbor for the wind to subside sufficiently to allow salvaging operations. Capt. Charles Croucher and the nine men of the schooner crew were still quartered at the life saving station Friday and the vessel's owner, Capt. H. M. Randall of Groton, with the wrecking fleet, was awaited.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Entertained.

Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Howard entertained a number of their friends at a dinner at the Hotel Norwich on Friday evening and a delightful time was enjoyed. John Casey was awarded the first prize in the consolation went to C. B. Sholes. Refreshments were served by the hostess. Among those present were several from Freston and Portland, Me.

Gift of \$50 to Pastor Cobb.

From the proceeds of their recent sale, the Ladies' society of the Church of the Good Shepherd has made a Christmas gift of \$50 to the pastor of the church, Rev. Joseph P. Cobb.

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You don't have to pay 50c or \$1.00 a pint for listerian antiseptics or peroxide. You can make 15 pints of more cleansing, germicidal, healing and deodorizing antiseptic solution with one 25c box of Paxtine. A soluble antiseptic powder, obtainable at any drug store.

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Cured in His Own Home Town.

NORWICH, Dec. 29.—Dr. J. M. Fraser, of Marked St., tells the way for his fellow townsmen to be cured of kidney and bladder ailments, as he himself was cured. "I have been subject to backaches, due to kidney trouble, for a long time. I heard of Foley Kidney Pills, I began taking them, and they gave me relief at once. I can recommend them to anyone who is afflicted with a sure preventive of kidney trouble." Lee & Osgood Co.

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SUNDAY SCHOOLS HAVE

CHRISTMAS FESTIVALS.

Interesting Programmes and Christmas Trees Laden With Gifts.

On Friday evening the Sunday school of the Central Baptist church held its Christmas festival, gathering first in the church auditorium, where a programme was carried out and concluding the evening with a social hour with refreshments in Bushnell chapel. Supt. Shepard B. Palmer announced the numbers on the entertaining programme, which were well rendered as follows: Song, *Away in the Manger*, primary class; recitation, Richard Arnold and Richard Wright; song, ten girls; recitation, Santa Claus and the Mouse, Sibyl Cary Palmer; song, *All Through the Night*, Freda Noyes and Gale Noyes; recitation, Christmas Dinner, Walter Treat; song, *My Bonnie Lies Over the Ocean*, eight boys; recitation, Miss Alice Hooper; recitation, *Talk of John Henry Paul Brown*, Benjamin Palmer; violin solo, Dorothy Gresson; song, *Lewis Covey*, dialogue, Reginald Ashbey and Helene Otis; recitation, Stuart Wright; recitation, *When His Whip Goes Crack*, Elsie Jacobson; trio, Miss Irene Gresson, piano, Miss Dorothy Gresson, violin; Miss Christine Gresson, solo; recitation, Elizabeth Smith; song, ten girls.

A large number of guests were then invited into the chapel, where there was a prettily decorated tree and boxes of candy were given to all the members of the intermediate and primary departments.

During the social hour selections were rendered by an orchestra consisting of Raymond B. Eldred, violin; John P. Swann, cornet; William E. Young, Jr., trombone, and Everett F. Goodwin, piano.

The entertainment was arranged under the direction of Mrs. George Ashbey and Mrs. A. Thatcher Otis, and the refreshments were in charge of Mrs. F. Wyman, her class of young ladies assisting in serving cake and lemonade.

Polish Citizens' Club.

Officers for the ensuing term were elected as follows this week at the meeting of the Polish Citizens' club held in the Kenyon building: President, J. Warrakomski; vice president, C. Bouk; treasurer, P. P. Kojewski; secretary, J. Warrakomski; financial secretary, J. A. Domkowski; trustee, S. Kotek; G. T. Panowski; J. Kaminski; Janitor, J. Klukowski.

There was an attendance of about 60 at the meeting, the organization now having about 157 members and receiving five new ones at this meeting.

Will Watch the Old Year Out.

At the Swedish Lutheran church, Grand St., Sunday the only service of the day will begin at 8 p. m. After a short service in the church the congregation will proceed to the church parlors where refreshments are to be served free. These having been served, the congregation returns to the church, where under the leadership of the pastor, they will sing addresses, songs and prayers they will wait for the New Year coming. The Young People's society has arranged the programme.

Incidents in Society

Mrs. Goodrich of Plainville is the guest of Mrs. Henry T. Arnold of Williams street.

Miss Julia B. Brewer of Washington street has returned from spending Christmas in Myatie.

Traver Briscoe has sent out invitations for a dance at the Norwich club on Monday evening, January 1.

Miss Dorothy Jones entertained a party of young friends at the Norwich golf club, Tuesday afternoon.

Mrs. Frank T. Brown and Miss Katharine of New York are spending a few days visiting friends in town.

Mr. and Mrs. John L. Mitchell will entertain the Auction Bridge club on Rockwell terrace.

Mr. and Mrs. David Jordan of Philadelphia, who have been the guests of Mrs. Leonard W. Bacon of Lincoln avenue for several days, return today.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles B. Lee, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Gilbert and Mrs. C. W. Hedges were due to reach River side, Cal., Friday, for several months' stay, after a delightful visit to Pasadena.

H. A. Tirrell is in New York, where he has been attending the sessions of the Head Masters' club, which met this year at the Park avenue hotel.

Mr. and Mrs. Tirrell and Mr. and Mrs. George A. Tirrell of Brooklyn, sail today from New York for a trip to the Bermudas.

Miss Frances Bachelor, teacher of art in Hartford high school, and Mariel Bachelor, a student at Wellesley college, and Theodore and Robert Bachelor, who are students at the University of Virginia, are guests for a short time of their aunts, the Misses Bachelor of East Town street.



Of Women's and Misses' Attire AT DECISIVE PRICE REDUCTIONS

In accordance with our regular custom we will offer on this important occasion many of the season's best models in Women's and Misses' Smart Tailored Suits, Fashionable Coats, Beautiful Dresses, Fur Coats, Furs, Waists and Skirts at far below their original prices. This is our time to clear stocks. The mark down prices show an utter disregard of value or cost.

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Our entire stock comprising Plain and Fancy Tailored Suits in fine quality serges, diagonals, mixtures, corduroys and zibelines in the prevailing colors as well as plain black and blue.

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Heretofore \$15.00 and \$18.00.....\$ 9.50

Heretofore \$19.50 and \$22.00.....\$12.50

Heretofore \$25.00 and \$30.00.....\$16.50

LONG CLOTH COATS

of smart Scotch mixtures, diagonals, dressy broadcloths, chinchillas and serges.

Heretofore \$15.00 and \$18.00.....\$ 9.50

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Plush and Caracul Coats

Salt's Genuine "Sealette" and Caracul.

Heretofore \$15.00 and \$18.00.....\$12.50

Heretofore \$25.00 and \$27.50.....\$19.50

Street and Afternoon Dresses

serges, corduroys, silk crepe meters, prevailing shades and modes.

Heretofore \$15.00 to \$20.00.....\$10.00

Heretofore \$25.00 to \$30.00.....\$18.00

FUR COATS

\$45.00 Russian Pony Coats.....\$29.50

\$55.00 Moried Pony Coats.....\$42.00

\$75.00 High Grade Pony Coats.....\$50.00

\$100 Natural Pony Coats.....\$75.00

\$65.00 Mink Dyed Marmot Coats.....\$49.50

\$85.00 Mink Dyed Marmot Coats.....\$65.00

\$75.00 Blended Muskrat Coats.....\$55.00

\$65.00 Trimmed Caracul Coats.....\$45.00

\$35.00 Sabled Coney Coats.....\$27.50

\$75.00 French Seal Coats.....\$55.00

\$95.00 Brilliant Seal Coats.....\$67.50

\$125.00 Hudson Seal Coats.....\$85.00

FURS

\$55.00 Scarfs and Muffs.....\$40.00

\$45.00 Scarfs and Muffs.....\$32.50

\$35.00 Scarfs and Muffs.....\$25.00

\$25.00 Scarfs and Muffs.....\$18.50

\$20.00 Scarfs and Muffs.....\$14.50

\$15.00 Scarfs and Muffs.....\$10.50

\$10.50 Scarfs and Muffs.....\$ 7.50

\$ 8.50 Scarfs and Muffs.....\$ 5.50

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gate rules and records of unions. It should also examine the legal status of the labor union and study the practicability of "schemes of economic government, such as the trade legislation in the cloak, suit and skirt industry," and similar boards.

Jackies Accused of Forgery.

Philadelphia, Dec. 29.—Christian Krantz, a sailor on the battleship Idaho, and James E. Wood, on the collier Lebanon, were held today in \$1,200 bail each by United States Commissioner Craig on the charge of passing forged paymasters' checks. It is alleged they forged a check for \$77 and cashed it at a saloon. Four other checks were found in their possession.

DIED.

CAGER.—In Norwich, Dec. 25, 1911, John J. Cager, 50 years.

Federal service at his late residence, Bozrah, Center, Tuesday afternoon, Jan. 2, at 1 o'clock.

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The Last Business Day of the Year 1911

It will be memorable for the many special sales that are in progress throughout the store, making it an occasion of remarkable value-giving and rare economy for all who visit this store today.

THIS WILL BE A BUSY STORE ALL DAY TODAY AND THIS EVENING

Women's Neckwear A Remarkable Offering for Today

The entire stock of a leading manufacturer of Women's Neckwear—made for the holiday season, and all in neat holiday boxes, will be offered at a mere fraction of its value. The assortment comprises Stocks, Bows, Jabots, Side Frills, Etc.—clean, perfect goods, in the very latest styles—

Actual 25c to \$1.00 value at 12½c each ON SALE ON SPECIAL COUNTER NEAR MAIN ENTRANCE, READY WHEN THE STORE OPENS AT 8.15 THIS MORNING.

Women's Muslin Underwear

The December Sale of Women's Muslin Underwear will continue today, with practically every item on hand, with which we started the sale. Don't miss this great Trade Event—one of the most important of our Annual Sales. Come today if possible.

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At 25c — value 50c
At 35c — value 50c
At 44c — value 50c
At 45c — value 50c
At 55c — value 1.00
At 85c — value 1.00
At \$1.29 — value 1.50

MUSLIN DRAWERS

At 15c — value 25c
At 25c — value 35c
At 35c — value 50c
At 44c — value 50c
At 45c — value 50c
At 55c — value 1.00
At 85c — value 1.00
At \$1.29 — value 1.50

MUSLIN GOWNS

At 39c — value 50c
At 44c — value 50c
At 55c — value 85c
At 85c — value 1.25
At \$1.29 — value 1.50
At \$1.59 — value 2.00
At \$1.98 — value 2.50

SHORT SKIRTS

At 21c — value 35c
At 44c — value 50c
At 65c — value 75c

LONG SKIRTS

At 65c — value 1.00
At 85c — value 1.25
At \$1.29 — value 1.50
At \$1.59 — value 2.00
At \$1.98 — value 2.50

WOMEN'S CHEMISES

At 44c — value 50c
At 85c — value 1.00
At \$1.29 — value 1.50

COMBINATION SUITS

Women's Muslin Combination Suits, consisting of Corset Cover and Skirt—of Corset Cover and Drawers.

At 65c — value 75c
At 85c — value 1.00
At \$1.29 — value 1.50
At \$1.59 — value 2.00
At \$1.98 — value 2.50

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All Holiday Lines at Special Clearance Prices today

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MEN'S ARM BANDS

Men's Fancy Arm Bands, packed one pair in a fancy box, at these prices—
At 19c—reduced from 25c
At 39c—reduced from 50c

MEN'S SUSPENDERS

19c Boys' Suspenders, each pair in a separate box, at 19c a pair, reduced from 25c.
25c Men's Suspenders, each pair in a separate box, at 25c a pair, reduced from 35c.
39c Men's Suspenders, each pair in a separate box, at 39c a pair, reduced from 50c.
79c Combination Suspenders, consisting of Suspenders, Drawers and Arm Bands, at 79c a set, reduced from \$1.00 and \$1.50.

MEN'S NECKWEAR

19c Men's Neckwear in Four-in-Hands, Ties and Bows, at 19c, reduced from 25c.
39c Men's Four-in-Hand Ties, reversible and open end, in all the newest colors and shades, at 39c, reduced from \$1.00 and \$1.50.

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39c Men's Fancy Hosiery, in all the newest styles, including the new accordion knit, at 39c, reduced from 50c.

MEN'S BATH ROBES AND HOUSE COATS—THE BALANCE OF OUR HOLIDAY STOCK—AT REDUCED PRICES.

Holiday Novelties at Special Prices

Mesh Bags, unlined, assorted frames, at these very special prices—

Size 5-inch at \$2.29, reduced from \$3.00

Size 6-inch at \$3.39, reduced from \$4.00

Size 7-inch at \$3.98, reduced from \$5.00

At 17c—Fancy Articles of Jewelry, such as Jewel Boxes, Match Holders, Pin Holders, Etc., at 17c each, from 25c and 35c.

Books for Boys and Girls reduced as follows—

25c Books at 19c 50c Books at 39c

Perfumery in Fancy Boxes at these special prices—

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Thousands of Handkerchiefs, slightly mused in the holiday rush, are on sale at special prices. No better time than now to lay in a supply of Handkerchiefs.

At 10c—Children's Handkerchiefs, three in a box, at 10c a box, from 15c.

At 15c—Children's Handkerchiefs, three in a box, colored border, white flannel and linen initial, at 15c a box from 25c.

At 9c—Women's Swiss Embroidered Handkerchiefs, slightly mused, at 9c each, 3 for 25c from 15c.

At 12½c—Women's Swiss Embroidered Handkerchiefs, neat designs, at 12½c each from 15c.

At 19c—Women's Fine Embroidered Handkerchiefs, slightly mused, at 19c each from 25c.

At 29c—Women's Extra Fine Embroidered Handkerchiefs, neat and pretty designs, at 29